

## Standish Township Board Meeting Minutes 10/14/2025

### 1. Call to Order

Supervisor Sajdak called the meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance at 6:30 PM.

### 2. Roll Call

Present: Melissa Jennings, Connie Proulx, Dustin Cardinal, Corey Sajdak and Amy Buttrick

Absent: None

### 3. Agenda as Presented.

- Motion to accept the agenda
  - Motion made by Cardinal and seconded by Proulx
  - Voice Vote - Ayes 5 and 0 Nays.
  - Motion Carried
  
- Motion to approved Minutes from 9/9/2025 and Special Meeting Minutes from 9/24/2025.
  - Motion made by Cardinal and seconded by Buttrick
  - Voice vote - Ayes 5 and 0 Nays.
  - Motion Carried
  
- Motion to approve September bills.
  - Motion made by Cardinal and seconded by Proulx.
  - Voice vote - Ayes 5 and 0 Nays.
  - Motion Carried

#### 4. Reports

##### SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

- ❖ Attended the Supervisor's meeting with the Arenac County Road Commission.
- ❖ Attended the Standish Area Fire Authority meeting.
- ❖ We had a special meeting on September 24th for Truth in Taxation.
- ❖ Attended the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe 2% roundtable meeting with Melissa Jennings.
- ❖ Replaced the porch light and men's bathroom doorknob and fixed women's doorknob.
- ❖ The Road Commission has finished spending our remaining road funding on gravel for spot fixes on secondary roads.
- ❖ I am working with our planning commission and township attorney to find potential solutions for the numerous fence related issues in the township.
- ❖ The Arenac Conservation District has sprayed some phragmites at the township property at the corner of Whites Beach Rd. and Lafave Rd. It will require a number of applications to get the problem under control. There is no cost to the township for the spraying.
- ❖ There has been no correspondence from the State Tax Commission regarding the complaint filed regarding our Board of Review.

##### CLERK'S REPORT

- ❖ Audit - waiting for printed reports back from the auditor
- ❖ Did not attend Clerk training
- ❖ Training on BS&A
- ❖ 2% submission \$44,858.43. Grant request was to pay for:
  - White's Beach payments \$28,127.43
  - Tree Removal in cemetery \$4,800.00
  - New well in cemetery \$11,931.00

❖ Payroll \$4,625.61

- Bills: Total Disbursements: \$30,040.05
  - VC3, INC - \$572.69
  - SAVIN - \$14,000.00
  - ASSURED PARTNERS 125.00
  - MATT NIEDZWIECKI - \$918.00
  - JIM WESENICK - \$400.00
  - WALMART - \$12.44
  - CONSUMERS ENERGY - \$924.67
  - VC3, INC - \$572.69
  - GFL ENVIRONMENTAL - \$12,514.56
- SEWER/Water Refund - CONSTANCE REETZ \$9,639.97
- Interest payment to Michigan Finance Authority for Water - \$8,190.45

TRESURER'S REPORT

- ❖ Received a check from State of Michigan for \$57,142.80 for Water Fund.
- ❖ Received a wire from Treasury Department for \$96,479.02 for Sewer Fund.
- ❖ All special assessment rolls for the winter tax bills have been sent to the Equalization Department.
- ❖ Tax Collection information has been sent to Equalization for the winter tax bills:
- ❖ Mail Payment to: Standish Township Treasurer, P.O. Box 944, Standish, MI 48658
- ❖ Send a self-addressed stamped envelope for receipt.
- ❖ Winter taxes may also be paid at the Hall at 4997 Arenac State Road on Mondays from 5:30 – 7:30 pm, beginning 12/8/25 thru February unless otherwise posted. Also, on 3/2/26 from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm. If cash, please bring exact amount of your taxes.
- ❖ Payment can also be made at Independent Bank in Standish during regular business hours beginning 12/1/25 through 2/28/26. You must present current bill with payment and bill must be paid in full when paying at bank.
- ❖ Bank account balances as of September 30, 2025, are as follows:
  - General Fund (Cking and Savings) \$1,549,746.85

- Payroll \$67,384.28
- Tax \$47,803.45
- Water Fund: \$488,641.11
- Sewer Fund: \$42,995.02
- WB Con: \$12,879.46
- CDs \$268,621.37

### TRUSTEE CARDINAL'S REPORT

- ❖ Four Hall rentals in October

### TRUSTEE BUTTRICK'S REPORT

- ❖ Planning Board meeting was held October 7th.

### ASSESSOR'S REPORT

- ❖ Continuing education
- ❖ Loading deeds

### ZONING REPORT

- ❖ THREE LAND USE PERMITS.
- ❖ RANDY CRAWFORD 5225 BEACHWOOD
- ❖ KAY KUEHNKER 5931 SANDY DR.
- ❖ JACK SLEWELL 5489 ELM
- ❖ HANDLED THREE COMPLAINTS
- ❖ NUMEROUS COMPLAINTS: ROAMING FARM ANIMALS, SENT LETTER, NO RESPONSE.
- ❖ BLIGHT ON BAY ARENAC RD, RESIDENT SAID SHE WOULD BE WORKING ON IT.
- ❖ RESIDENT ON M-13. BURNING PALLETS IN LATE NIGHT. ETC.
- ❖ WROTE C I FOR RESIDENT ON BEECHWOOD. LOOKS LIKE ITS GOING TO COURT.
- ❖ NUMEROUS REAL ESTATE, SEWER, WATER, CALLS.

## 5. New Business

### ❖ Text amendments to Zoning Ordinance 2014-11-01

Ordinance 25-01 is an ordinance amending the Standish Twp Zoning Ordinance 2014-11-01 (The “Zoning Ordinance”), to remove specific reference to Arenac County Building Department. The Planning Commission held a public hearing and recommended the changes. It was also sent to the County Planning Commission for comment.

- Motion to adopt Ordinance 2014-11-01 subject to receiving comment from the Arenac County Planning Commission. The Township attorney is the given authority to make minor modifications to the ordinance as long as it does not change the intent.
  - Motion made by Cardinal and seconded by Buttrick
  - Roll Call Vote: Jennings, Proulx, Cardinal, Buttrick and Sajdak all Ayes, 0 Nays
  - Motion Carried, Ordinance 25-01 adopted

### ❖ 2026 Regular Meeting Schedule

- Second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.
  - Motion to approval 2026 Meeting schedule made by Proulx and seconded by Cardinal
  - Voice Vote - Ayes 5 and 0 Nays.
  - Motion Carried

### ❖ White’s Beach Water/Sewer update from engineer

#### Watermain Update

The watermain has been connected at Lapan road and 97% of watermain is installed. All tests on the watermain from Lapan Road to the railroad tracks on McLarty Road have passed. The directional drilling to install the remaining section of pipe beneath the railroad tracks is scheduled to start October 13th. Once the section beneath the railroad tracks is installed the section of pipe from Railroad tracks to Whites Beach will be tested.

#### Sewer Update

A high-level estimate and action plan for a WWTP lagoon has been developed. A wetland delineation of the proposed site has been completed. The next step will be to meet with EGLE to discuss the Lagoon option.

## Site Update

Consumers Energy is finalizing the design to bring in power and gas to the site and will be submitting a cost and installation date. Electrical quotes are being evaluated. Contractor to install the remaining watermain pipes into the building to prep for the concrete floor to be poured in the coming weeks. Once the concrete is installed the insulation and wall sheeting will be installed followed by the interior watermain piping, booster pumps, chemical feed system, and electrical.

## 6. Announcements:

- Need Zoning Board of Appeals and Board of Review alternates
- Aquatic Weed assessment must be initiated by the residents within the assessment district.

## 7. Public Comment

*The purpose of the public comment period is for members of the public to inform the governing body of their views. Public Comment was held.*

## 8. Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn Meeting
  - Motion made by Cardinal and seconded by Proulx
  - Voice vote of Ayes 5 and 0 Nays.
  - Motion carried meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Melissa Jennings

  
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Corey Sajdak, Supervisor

  
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Melissa Jennings, Clerk

  
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